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Letter dated 3 April 2000 from the Permanent Representative of Bahrain to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

In my capacity as Chairman of the Arab Group for the month of April 2000, and in the name of the States members of the League of Arab States, I have the honour to transmit herewith resolution No. 5961 dated 28 March 2000, entitled "Foreign conspiratorial schemes against the Sudan", adopted by the Council of the League of Arab States at its resumed one hundred and thirteenth regular session, held on 28 March 2000 at Cairo (see annex).

I should be grateful if you would draw the attention of the members of the Security Council to the present letter and the annexed resolution and have them circulated as a document of the Security Council.

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to the United Nations
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Annex

[Original: Arabic]

Foreign conspiratorial schemes against the Sudan

The Council of the League of Arab States,

Having perused

The memorandum of the General Secretariat,

The memorandum of the Permanent Mission of the Republic of the Sudan to the League of Arab States No. BDJ, one hundred and thirteenth session, of 23 February 2000,

The statement of the General Secretariat in support of the good offices of the Arab Republic of Egypt and the Social People's Libyan Arab Jamahiriya to verify the national reconciliation in the Sudan within the framework of their joint initiatives,

And the recommendation of the Political Committee,

Having heard the statement of the delegation of the Sudan concerning the dimensions of foreign intervention in the internal affairs of the Sudan and the developments in the foreign scheme to disturb stability in the Sudan and threaten its security, safety and territorial integrity,

Recalling resolution 189 adopted by the Arab Summit Conference at its extraordinary session at Baghdad (28-30 May 1990),

Recalling its resolutions 5374 of 27 March 1994, 5746 of 25 March 1998, 5781 of 24 August 1998 (extraordinary session), 5794 of 17 September 1998, 5849 of 18 March 1999 and 5896 of 13 September 1999,

Expressing appreciation for the efforts of IGAD and IGAD's partners in promoting the peace process in the Sudan,

Expressing concern at the United States of America's imposition of unilateral economic sanctions that impede development efforts, particularly oil investment, and have a negative impact on efforts to achieve peace and stability in the Sudan,

Noting with concern the efforts of some to bring the question of the Sudan before the Security Council, bypassing regional efforts to establish peace in the Sudan,

Paying tribute to the efforts of the Arab Group at the United Nations to block Canada's move to bring the question of the Sudan before the Security Council,

Decides

1. To reaffirm its support for the Sudan in confronting threats to its sovereignty, stability and territorial integrity, rejecting any efforts to expose it to partition, and its support for its efforts in regional and international organizations;

2. To warn of the danger of foreign intervention in the affairs of a State member of the League of Arab States for security and stability in the region; to

condemn any decisions aimed at supporting any separatist move, particularly through material or military support or the imposition of no-fly zones in the Sudan; and to call upon the Security Council to devise a mechanism to prevent rebel movements from obtaining weapons and to ensure effective monitoring of the ban on the export of weapons to those rebel groups;

3. To express its condemnation of the imposition of United States unilateral economic sanctions on the Sudan and companies cooperating with it in its national investments and to call for constructive political dialogue based on respect for international legitimacy, the sovereignty of States, non-intervention in their internal affairs and the endeavour to achieve common interests;

4. To commend the ongoing efforts of the Government of the Sudan to develop its foreign relations and the good results it has achieved in supporting its relations with fraternal Arab and African States and its neighbours and friendly States;

5. To express appreciation for what has been achieved in the area of Sudanese-European dialogue and the normalization of the Sudan's relations with international finance institutions; and to urge the States of the European Group to support comprehensive peace efforts in the Sudan;

6. To urge Arab States to follow up their efforts, particularly in providing more assistance and support in the fraternal harmony which the Sudan has experienced with these States in this area;

7. To support the efforts made to achieve complete peace in the southern Sudan; and to urge Arab and Islamic non-governmental organizations to intensify their humanitarian and developmental activities and relief efforts in that precious part of the Sudan, through counterpart global organizations and in cooperation with them in all parts of the Sudan;

8. To call upon States and international voluntary organizations to desist from directing unfounded and unjustified random accusations against the Sudan and the Arab States, aimed at internationalizing the Sudanese issue, which constitutes a part of the campaign aimed at distorting the picture of the Arabs and Muslims and insulting the community and their civilization; and to welcome the decision of the United Nations Economic and Social Council to divest the World Christian Solidarity Organization of its consultative status to the Economic and Social Council;

9. To reject the efforts being made by some States to internationalize the question of the Sudan by bringing it before the Security Council and to call upon them to desist from these efforts and to allow an opportunity for regional efforts to bring about peace and reconciliation in the Sudan;

10. To pay a tribute to the efforts of the Government of the Sudan to achieve national reconciliation; to reaffirm its support for the Egyptian-Libyan effort to achieve national reconciliation in the Sudan; to call upon neighbouring States to continue their effort for unity and the achievement of peace and stability in the Sudan; and to support the good offices exercised with a view to furthering the Egyptian-Libyan initiative and the IGAD initiative;

11. To request the Secretary-General to take the necessary steps regarding mechanism for follow up and coordination with concerned parties and organizations,

and primarily the Security Council and the United Nations, concerning the implementation of the resolutions of the League in support of the Sudan in all regional and international fields and submission of the topic to the Council at its next session.